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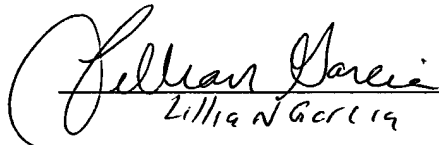
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Confirmation No. : 8386
Applicants : Peter Rice et al.
Filed : October 27, 2000
Group Art Unit : 1645
Examiner : S. Devi
Docket No. : BOS/3
Customer No. : 1473
For : PEPTIDE MIMICS OF CONSERVED GONOCOCCAL
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**TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR
REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

Sir:

Enclosed herewith is a request for continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, of pending prior Application No. 09/699,244, Confirmation No. 8386, filed on October 27, 2000 for Peptide Mimics Of Conserved Gonococcal Epitopes And Methods And Compositions Using Them.

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1. ☒ Please enter the Amendment and Reply to Office Action filed herewith.
2. ☒ A Petition for Extension of Time.

CLAIMS AS CALCULATED AFTER PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

FEE FOR ADDITIONAL CLAIMS

4. ☒ A fee for additional claims is not required.

The additional fee has been calculated as shown below:

CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEES
TOTAL CLAIMS	-	*	=	X \$ 9 = \$
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	-	**	=	X \$ 43 = \$
FIRST PRESENTATION OF A MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM			+ \$ 145	= \$
				TOTAL <u>\$</u>
* If less than 20, insert 20.				
** If less than 3, insert 3.				

5. ☒ A check in the amount of \$ 385.00 in payment of the filing fee is enclosed.
6. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16, or to credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 06-1075. A duplicate copy of this Request is enclosed.

7. [X] The power of attorney in Application No. 09/699,224 is to:

<u>Margaret A. Pierri, Esq.,</u>	Reg. No. <u>30,709</u>
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- 7a. [X] The power appears in the original papers in Application No. 09/699,244.

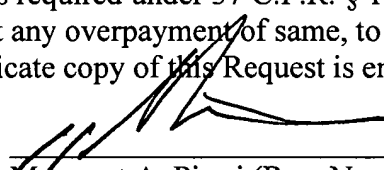
8. [X] Address all future communications to:

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9. [X] Please grant a [] one-month, [X] two-month, [] three-month, [] four-month, [] five-month, extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) to file an Appeal Brief in Application No. 09/699,244, filed October 27, 2000 so that this Request will be filed while that application is still pending.
10. [X] A check in the amount of \$210.00 in payment of the extension-of-time fee is enclosed.
11. [X] The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional extension-of-time fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 in connection with this paper, or to credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 06-1075. A duplicate copy of this Request is enclosed.

September 13, 2004

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REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION AND AMENDMENT

This is in response to the Office Action of March 12, 2004 in the above-identified application. This Reply and Amendment is being filed together with a Request for Continued Examination. This paper is being filed four months after the filing of a notice of appeal; applicants have therefore filed concurrently herewith a Petition for a two-month extension of time and have paid the requisite fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136(a) and 1.17(a)(2).

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Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin at page 6 of this paper.